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SUMMER 1 NEWSLETTER 2023

In our History lessons this half term we will be studying the Tudors. We will be learning about the monarchy and the timeline of their reign. We will also be discovering the way that people lived, at the time, in different levels of society. Our learning will begin with a trip to the Royal Grammar School for a Tudor hook day and end with a trip to Hampton Court Palace, home of Henry VIII.



In Science, we will be learning about living things and their habitats. We will identify key classifications of organisms and explore how different animals adapt to changes in their environments caused by humans.

As well as all of this we have a week of swimming to look forward to at Waverley Abbey School, an Art unit focusing on portrait and the work of Gustav Klimt, and in Music a study of the classic Beatles track Blackbird.



Talk for Writing

We will focus on character and setting this term, using the model text 'The Night Fairy' alongside the early tales in 'The Spiderwick Chronicles'.



MATHS NO PROBLEM!

We will continue our work on decimals and develop our understanding of:

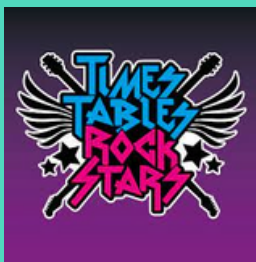
- money
- mass, volume and length
- area.



Dates for the Diary

- 17/04/2023 - Start of term
- 18/04/2023 - Tudor Hook Day at RGS
- 24/04/2023 - Swimming week begins
- 01/05/2023 - Open classroom
- 08/05/2023 - Coronation Bank Holiday
- 15/05/2023 - Walk to School week begins
- 18/05/2023 - Hampton Court trip
- 25/05/2023 - FOSMAS obstacle race
- 26/05/2023 - INSET Day
- 29/05/2023 - Half term week begins
- 05/06/2023 - Back to School

The times tables check is coming up, so speed and accuracy are of the essence! Please access using your child's account at home for short sessions as often as possible. Ask Miss Andrew if you need and help to access it.



To log on, go to www.ttrockstars.com/

Our value this half term is:
Friendship

A change to our P.E. routine...



From this term our school P.E. days are Monday and Wednesday. **Please send your child in wearing P.E. kit on those days.**

P.E. kit = trainers, plain black shorts, plain black tracksuit bottoms (not leggings), maroon school branded polo shirt or house coloured t shirt, school jumper or fleece.
No jewellery of any kind to be worn on these days and long hair as always must be tied back.

How to help at home...



Read with your child (20 minutes daily)

Please make sure that you login and record your child's reading daily using the Boom Reader app. Individual login details for your child have been provided, if you need help accessing it please speak to Miss Andrew.

Encourage your child to practise their weekly spellings (10 minutes daily).

Every Monday, your child will be set new spellings on their Spelling shed account. Please encourage them to practise these daily. We will have a test each Friday.

Encourage your child to practise their times tables (10 minutes daily).

Recall of the 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 10 times tables (from Year 3) is important as well as building fluency in 6, 7, 9, 11 and 12 times tables going forward. Children will be given access to Times Tables Rock Stars to use at home.